

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3460

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

**Elizabeth A. Malia**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to enhance public safety and security in certain public housing developments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas M. Menino	
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk
Gloria L. Fox	7th Suffolk
Willie Mae Allen	6th Suffolk
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Jeffrey Sánchez	15th Suffolk
Michael F. Rush	10th Suffolk
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1269 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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### **AN ACT TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY IN CERTAIN PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           SECTION 1. In recognition of the need for improved public safety policing programs in public  
2 housing communities of the City of Boston and other cities of the Commonwealth, Section 3 of Chapter  
3 23B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting after  
4 paragraph (v) the following new paragraph:-

5           “(w) implement community-based policing programs as an adjunct to or to be provided in connection  
6 with community-based drug elimination, crime prevention, security and similar programs. Such  
7 programs may include, without limitation, security, crime and drug prevention, drug elimination and  
8 education, youth-oriented programs, neighborhood crime watch, and the acquisition of equipment in aid  
9 of law enforcement. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there is hereby annually  
10 appropriated an amount in the aggregate not less than \$11,000,000 which, after fiscal year 2010, shall be  
11 adjusted each July 1 by the growth rate of the inflation index over the preceding 12 months; provided,  
12 that, after said fiscal year, in no case shall said assessment exceed 102.5 per cent of the previous year's  
13 assessment and which shall be expended for said programs.”